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I believe Microsoft should set aside money to be managed by an independent entity to be distributed to the nation's poorest schools rather than the donation of software. The donation of software would not be a punishment at all as it would not cost Microsoft any money at all to donate the software (as it already does to many colleges). Furthermore, the donation of Microsoft software which is mostly oriented to Microsoft's Windows platform would encourage schools to favor that platform and further entrench Microsoft into a sector they do not already dominate. This would in fact be rewarding Microsoft for breaking the law and not be a punishment. I strongly urge you to not allow this to happen. Thank you for your time.

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